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Inventor/title: Fitzpatrick/Price Paid Database Method and System

Examiner/ArtUnit: Charles/3624

REQUEST FOR WRITTEN STATUS OF APPLICATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313

Sir:

Please advise me on the status of the application listed above. Attached is Attachment 1 - a copy of an email chain detailing applicant's recent communications in efforts to determine the status of this application.

2/19/2008

DATE

Respectfully Submitted,

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From: Bruce Margulies
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2008 2:40 PM
To: Rick Neifeld
Cc: 'Carol Chapman'
Subject: Status_PIP-53-FITZ-US_2-15-2007

Attachment 1

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Rick,

I spoke with Examiner Murial Tinkler, who is in charge of this matter. She acknowledged that the notice of non-compliant brief was not valid and as a result, the case has been misdoctored. She said that she will meet with her supervisor, Alex Kalinowski, early next week to discuss the merits of our appeal. They will either reopen prosecution or send it to the Board.

I will set a docket reminder for three weeks - April 4 to make sure that some action has been taken by the USPTO.

Bruce

-----Original Message-----

From: Bruce Margulies
Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2007 12:52 PM
To: Rick Neifeld
Cc: 'Carol Chapman'
Subject: Status_PIP-53-FITZ-US_4-18-2007

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Rick,

I spoke with Supervisor Vincent Millin (571.272.6747) who said that Examiner Debra Charles is no longer with the USPTO. Millin referred me to Supervisor Alex Kalinowski (571.272.6771). I left a voice message for Kalinowski to ask who the new examiner is for the application and what the status is of the application. I will let you know when I hear back from Kalinowski.

Bruce

-----Original Message-----

From: Rick Neifeld
Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2007 11:30 AM
To: Bruce Margulies
Cc: 'Carol Chapman'
Subject: RE: Status_PIP-53-FITZ-US_4-17-2007

Bruce - Thanks. 10-24-2006 is too long ago. Call the examiner and ask him to take a look at the case and see if there is anything else we need to do. We need to make sure this case does not inadvertently go abandoned, for example, if the PTO thinks we did not completely respond to the notice of non-compliant brief. Typically, a response to a notice of non compliant brief is a revised and compliant brief, not a traverse of the

Thanks, RICK

-----Original Message-----

From: Bruce Margulies

Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2007 12:19 AM

To: Rick Neifeld

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Rick,

I have a docket reminder to check the status of this application. According to PAIR, the most recent document in the IFW is our 10/17/2006 filing which responded to a notice of non-compliant brief. We had stated in our remarks that the notification was in error and that the examiner now agreed with our position.

PAIR indicates that on 10-24-2006 the Case was Docketed to Examiner in GAU. That is the most recent transaction in PAIR.

I will set a reminder to check the status of the application in three months. Please advise if you would like for me to take any different action.

Bruce